

RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT
OFFICE OF WATER RESOURCES
235 PROMENADE STREET
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND 02908-5767

PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED PERMIT ACTIONS UNDER THE RHODE ISLAND POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (RIPDES) PROGRAM WHICH REGULATES DISCHARGES INTO THE WATERS OF THE STATE UNDER CHAPTER 46-12 OF THE RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS OF 1956, AS AMENDED.

DATE OF NOTICE: December 2, 2011

PUBLIC NOTICE NUMBER: PN11-06

DRAFT PERMITS:

RIPDES PERMIT NUMBER: RI0100404

NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

Quonset Development Corporation
95 Cripe Street
North Kingstown, Rhode Island 02852

NAME AND ADDRESS OF FACILITY WHERE DISCHARGE OCCURS:

Quonset Wastewater Treatment Facility
150 Zarbo Ave.
North Kingstown, Rhode Island 02852

RECEIVING WATER: Narragansett Bay

RECEIVING WATER CLASSIFICATION: SB1

The facility, which is the source of the wastewater discharge, is located in North Kingstown and is engaged in the treatment of sanitary and industrial sewage contributed by the Quonset Point industrial park. The facility has reapplied to the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (DEM) for reissuance of its permit to discharge from the wastewater treatment plant, which uses the following equipment and processes: coarse screening, grit removal, primary settling, rotating biological contactors, secondary settling, and chlorination. The discharge of treated effluent is made to Narragansett Bay through outfall 001A. The permit includes limits to ensure that the discharge will not cause a water quality violation.

RIPDES PERMIT NUMBER: RI0100374

NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

Town of South Kingstown
180 High Street
Wakefield, Rhode Island 02879

NAME AND ADDRESS OF FACILITY WHERE DISCHARGE OCCURS:

South Kingstown Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant
275 Westmoreland Street
Narragansett, Rhode Island

RECEIVING WATER: Rhode Island Sound

RECEIVING WATER CLASSIFICATION: SB1

The facility, which is the source of the discharge, is located in South Kingstown and is engaged in the treatment of wastewater from the sanitary sewer system in the town of South Kingstown. The facility has reapplied to the DEM for reissuance of its permit to discharge from the wastewater treatment plant, which includes the use of the following equipment and processes: coarse screening, comminution, primary settling, fine bubble aeration, secondary settling, chlorination, and dechlorination. The discharge of treated effluent is made to Rhode Island Sound through outfall 001A. This permit includes limits to ensure that the discharge will not cause a water quality violation.

DRAFT PERMIT MODIFICATIONS:

RIPDES PERMIT NUMBER: RI0023485

NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

Metals Recycling, LLC
P.O. Box 19726
Johnston, Rhode Island 02919

NAME AND ADDRESS OF FACILITY WHERE DISCHARGE OCCURS:

Metals Recycling, LLC
89 Celia Street
Johnston, Rhode Island 02919

RECEIVING WATER: Unnamed Tributary to the Woonasquatucket River

RECEIVING WATER CLASSIFICATION: B1

The facility, which is the source of the industrial stormwater discharge, owns and operates a facility used for the recycling of scrap metal located at 89 Celia Street, Johnston, RI. Operations conducted at the facility include processing, separating, sorting, and stockpiling scrap metal and associated by-products. The facility has requested an extension to its deadline to complete construction and startup of its proposed stormwater treatment system, complete an Operation and Maintenance Plan, and revise its current Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan to reflect the new stormwater treatment system. The DEM has been monitoring the facility's efforts to comply with the current schedule and has determined that it has been working in good faith to meet its permit obligations. Therefore, the DEM is modifying Part I.A.8 of RIPDES Permit No. RI0023485 to extend the compliance deadline.

RIPDES PERMIT NUMBER: RI0110094

NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

American Mussel Harvesters, Inc.
165 Tidal Drive
North Kingstown, Rhode Island 02852

NAME AND ADDRESS OF FACILITY WHERE DISCHARGE OCCURS:

American Mussel Harvesters, Inc.
165 Tidal Drive
North Kingstown, Rhode Island

RECEIVING WATER: Narragansett Bay

RECEIVING WATER CLASSIFICATION: SA

The facility, which is the source of the discharge, is engaged in the wet storage of shellfish prior to shipment to market. The wet storage system withdraws Narragansett Bay water, disinfects it using UV light, and circulates it over the shellfish prior to discharge back into the receiving water. Because the effluent water has lower pollutant levels than the intake water, the facility has requested a reduction in the sampling frequency required by RIPDES Permit No. RI0110094. The DEM has reviewed and decided to grant this request. The discharge will remain the same as originally permitted however the monitoring frequency will be reduced to 1/quarter.

RIPDES PERMIT NUMBER: **RI0000191**

NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

Kenyon Industries, Incorporated
36 Sherman Avenue
Kenyon, Rhode Island 02836

NAME AND ADDRESS OF FACILITY WHERE DISCHARGE OCCURS:

Kenyon Industries, Incorporated
36 Sherman Avenue
Kenyon, Rhode Island 02836

RECEIVING WATER: Pawcatuck River

RECEIVING WATER CLASSIFICATION: B1

The facility, which is the source of the industrial wastewater discharge, is a commission textile mill, located at 36 Sherman Avenue in Kenyon, Rhode Island. The wastewater discharges to the Pawcatuck River previously consisted of treated domestic and industrial wastewater effluent. Treatment of domestic wastewater was accomplished through the use of a package sanitary wastewater treatment facility prior to discharge to the Pawcatuck River. Kenyon's RIPDES permit was reissued on July 20, 2010. Subsequent to reissuance of the permit, Kenyon rerouted all domestic wastewater to a new, subsurface Onsite Wastewater Treatment System. As a result, the sanitary wastewater is no longer discharged to surface waters. Since outfall 001 no longer contains domestic wastewater, DEM is eliminating the previous permit's Fecal Coliform limits and monitoring requirements.

FURTHER INFORMATION:

A fact sheet and development document or a statement of basis (describing the type of facility and significant factual, legal, and policy questions considered in these permit actions) may be obtained at no cost by writing or calling DEM as noted below:

Joseph Camara
Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management
Office of Water Resources
235 Promenade Street
Providence, Rhode Island 02908-5767
(401) 222-4700, ext: 7640

The administrative record containing all documents relating to these permit actions is on file and may be inspected, by appointment, at the DEM's Providence office mentioned above between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND REQUEST FOR PUBLIC HEARING:

Pursuant to Chapter 42-17.4 of the Rhode Island General Laws a public hearing has been scheduled to consider the permit actions. Notice should be taken that a public hearing will be held at the following time and place:

Thursday, January 5, 2012 at 5:00 PM
Room 280
235 Promenade Street
Providence, Rhode Island 02908

In accordance with Rule 43 of the RIPDES Regulations, the following is a summary of the procedures that shall be followed at the Public Hearing:

- a. The Presiding Officer shall have the authority to open and conclude the Hearing and to maintain order; and
- b. Any persons appearing at such a hearing may submit oral or written statements and data concerning the draft permit.

In addition, for the sake of accuracy, it is requested that statements be submitted in writing at the time of the hearing or be mailed to the DEM's Office of Water Resources RIPDES Program, at the above address, before the date of the hearing. Oral testimony will also be heard at the Public Hearing, but may be limited to five (5) minutes in duration.

235 Promenade Street is accessible to the handicapped. Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired must notify the D.E.M. at 831-5508 (T.D.D.) 72 hours in advance of the hearing date.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: (December 2, 2011 TO January 6, 2012)

Interested parties may submit comments on the permit actions and the administrative record to the address above no later than 4:00 PM on the January 6, 2012.

All persons, including the applicants, who believe any condition of the draft permits are inappropriate, must raise all reasonably ascertainable issues and submit all reasonably available arguments and factual grounds supporting their position, including all supporting material, by the close of the public comment period on January 6, 2012. Commenters may request a longer comment period if necessary to provide a reasonable opportunity to comply with these requirements. Comments should be directed to the DEM's Office of Water Resources, RIPDES Program at the address above.

If, during the public comment period, significant new questions are raised concerning the permits, DEM may require a new draft permit or fact sheet/statement of basis or may reopen the public comment period. A public notice will be issued for any of these actions.

FINAL DECISION AND APPEALS:

Following the close of the comment period, and after the public hearing, the Director will issue a final decision and forward a copy of the final decision to the permittees and each person who has submitted written comments or requested notice. Within 30 days following the notice of the final decision, any interested person may submit a request for a formal hearing in accordance with the requirements of Rule 49.

11/23/11
Date


Eric A. Beck, P.E.
Supervising Sanitary Engineer
Office of Water Resources
Department of Environmental Management